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Measures Introduced: Two bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3048–3049, and S. Res. 426.

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Keenan Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Barbara Milano Keenan, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Friday, February 26, 2010, a vote on cloture will occur at 12:15 p.m. on Tuesday, March 2, 2010.

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A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that on Tuesday, March 2, 2010, after a period of morning business, Senate resume consideration of the nomination; and that the time until 12:15 p.m., be for debate prior to a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination; with the time equally divided and controlled between Senators Leahy and Sessions, or their designees; that at 12:15 p.m., Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture.

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Nomination Discharged: The following nomination was discharged from further committee consideration and placed on the Executive Calendar:

Kathleen S. Tighe, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of Education, which was sent to the Senate on November 20, 2009, from the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 11:40 a.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, March 1, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S824.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY INVESTIGATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Office of Professional Responsibility Investigation into the Office of Legal Counsel Memoranda, after receiving testimony from Gary G. Grindler, Acting Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS BUDGET

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Veterans Affairs, after receiving testimony from Eric K. Shinseki, Secretary of Veterans Affairs; John Wilson, Disabled American Veterans, Eric A. Hilleman, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Steve A. Robertson, American Legion, and Carl Blake, Paralyzed Veterans of America, all of Washington, D.C.; Raymond C. Kelley, AMVETS, Lanham, Maryland; and Rick Weidman, Vietnam Veterans of America, Silver Spring, Maryland.

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 4 public bills, H.R. 4710–4713; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 1122–1124 were introduced. Page H971

Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: In the matter of the investigation into officially connected travel of House Members to attend the Carib News Foundation Multinational Business Conferences in 2007 and 2008 (H. Rept. 111–422);

In the matter of allegations relating to the lobbying activities of Paul Magliocchetti and Associates Group, Inc. (PMA)(H. Rept. 111–423); and

H.R. 3820, to reauthorize Federal natural hazards reduction programs, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–424, Pt. 1). Page H971

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Cuellar to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010: The House passed H.R. 2701, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2010 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, by a recorded vote of 235 ayes to 168 noes, Roll No. 73. Consideration of the measure began yesterday, February 25th.

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Rejected the Hoekstra motion to recommit the bill to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with amendments, by a recorded vote of 186 ayes to 217 noes, Roll No. 72.

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Agreed to:

Reyes manager's amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 111–419), as modified by H. Res. 1113, that was debated on February 25th that makes technical and sundry changes (by a recorded vote of 246 ayes to 166 noes, Roll No. 69);

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Hastings (FL) amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 111–419) that was debated on February 25th that requires the DNI, in coordination with the heads of the elements of the intelligence community, to submit to Congress a report on the plans of each element of the community, including the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, to increase diversity within that element (by a recorded vote of 401 ayes to 11 noes, Roll No. 70); and Page H947

Schauer amendment (No. 12 printed in H. Rept. 111–419) that was debated on February 25th that seeks to require the DNI to investigate and report to Congress regarding the attempted terrorist attack on Northwest flight 253 and measures the intelligence community has taken or will take to prevent any intelligence failures within or between elements of the U.S. intelligence community (by a recorded vote of 410 ayes to 1 no, Roll No. 71).

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Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House.

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H. Res. 1113, the rule providing for further consideration of the bill, was agreed to by voice vote after the previous question was ordered without objection.

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Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measure which was debated on Wednesday, February 24th:

Recognizing the difficult challenges Black veterans faced when returning home after serving in the Armed Forces, their heroic military sacrifices, and their patriotism: H. Con. Res. 238, to recognize the difficult challenges Black veterans faced when returning home after serving in the Armed Forces, their heroic military sacrifices, and their patriotism in fighting for equal rights and for the dignity of a people and a Nation, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 383 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 74.

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 2nd for morning hour debate.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H942.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H946, H947, H947–48, H950, H950–51, H951–52. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 1:38 p.m.

Committee Meetings MEDICAL RADIATION

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Medical Radiation: An

Overview of the Issues. Testimony was heard from Kenneth Mizrach, Director. VA New Jersey Health Care System, Department of Veterans' Affairs; and public witnesses.

LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS—COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE LENDING

Committee on Financial Services: and the Committee on Small Business held a joint hearing entitled "Condition of Small Business and Commercial Real Estate Lending in Local Markets." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Herbert M. Allison, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Financial Stability and Counselor to the Secretary; John C. Dugan, Comptroller, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency; and John E. Bowman, Acting Director, Office of Thrift Supervision; Karen G. Mills, Administrator, SBA; Elizabeth Duke, Governor, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; and Martin J. Gruenberg, Vice Chairman, Board of Directors, FDIC.

RADICALIZATION ANALYSIS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Radicalization Analysis. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

ECONOMIC RECOVERY

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the road to economic recovery, focusing on prospects for jobs and growth, after receiving testimony from Richard Berner, Morgan Stanley and Co., New York, New York; Jeffrey Joerres, Manpower Inc., Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and Kevin A. Hassett, American Enterprise Institute, Washington, D.C.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD Week of March 1 through March 6, 2010

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 4213, Tax Extenders Act, and Senator Baucus, or his designee, will be recognized to offer a substitute amendment.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Barbara Milano Keenan, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, and after a period of debate, vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon at 12:15 p.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: March 2, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Agriculture, 10 a.m., SD–192.

March 3, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine the Army budget overview for fiscal year 2011, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

March 3, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Environmental Protection Agency, 9:30 a.m., SD–124.

March 4, Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Transportation, 9:30 a.m., SD–124.

March 4, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine funding and oversight of the Department of Commerce, 10 a.m., SD–138.

March 4, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Energy, 10 a.m., SD–192.

March 4, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Office of the Secretary of the Senate, the Office of the Senate Sergeant at Arms, and the Office of the U.S. Capitol Police, 2:30 p.m., SD–138.

Committee on Armed Services: March 3, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine the protective forces at the Department of Energy, 3:30 p.m., SR-232A.

March 4, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Air Force in review of the Defense Authorization and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC–217 following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: March 2, Subcommittee on Economic Policy, to hold hearings to examine restoring credit, focusing on proposals to fix small business borrowing and lending problems, 9:30 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on the Budget: March 4, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Defense, 2 p.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: March 2, to hold hearings to examine Toyota's recalls and the government's response, 10 a.m., SR-253.

March 3, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and Fisheries Enforcement Programs and Operations, 10 a.m., SR–253.

March 4, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Transportation, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: March 3, business meeting to consider any pending nominations; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of the Interior, 10 a.m., SD–366.

March 4, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Energy's implementation of programs authorized and funded under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, 10 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: March 3, to hold hearings to examine transportation investments relative to the national economy and jobs, 10 a.m., SD-406.

March 4, Full Committee, with the Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety, to hold joint hearings to examine S. 2995, to amend the Clean Air Act to establish a national uniform multiple air pollutant regulatory program for the electric generating sector, 10 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Finance: March 2, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Jeffrey Alan Goldstein, of New York, to be Under Secretary of the Treasury, Francisco J. Sanchez, of Florida, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade, and Sherry Glied, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, 11:15 a.m., SD–215.

March 3, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the 2010 trade agenda, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: March 4, to hold hearings to examine Middle East peace, focusing on ground truths, challenges ahead, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: March 4, to hold hearings to examine childhood obesity, focusing on reversing the epidemic, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: March 3, to hold hearings to examine chemical security, focusing on assessing progress and charting a path forward, 9:30 a.m., SD–342.

March 3, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine oversight challenges in the Medicare prescription drug program, 2:30 p.m., SD–342.

March 4, Ad Hoc Subcommittee on State, Local, and Private Sector Preparedness and Integration, to hold hearings to examine new paradigms for private sector preparedness, 10 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: March 2, Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law, to hold hearings to examine global internet freedom and the rule of law, part II, 10 a.m., SD-226.

March 3, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine encouraging innovative and cost-effective crime reduction strategies, 10 a.m., SD–226.

March 4, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 1789, to restore fairness to Federal cocaine sentencing, S. 1132, to amend title 18, United States Code, to improve the provisions relating to the carrying of concealed weapons by law enforcement officers, S. 2772, to establish

a criminal justice reinvestment grant program to help States and local jurisdictions reduce spending on corrections, control growth in the prison and jail populations, and increase public safety, S. 1624, to amend title 11 of the United States Code, to provide protection for medical debt homeowners, to restore bankruptcy protections for individuals experiencing economic distress as caregivers to ill, injured, or disabled family members, and to exempt from means testing debtors whose financial problems were caused by serious medical problems, S. 1765, to amend the Hate Crime Statistics Act to include crimes against the homeless, and the nominations of Dawn Elizabeth Johnsen, of Indiana, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, and Gloria M. Navarro, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada, Audrey Goldstein Fleissig, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri, Lucy Haeran Koh, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, Jon E. DeGuilio, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Indiana, and Jane E. Magnus-Stinson and Tanya Walton Pratt, both to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Indiana, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: March 4, business meeting to consider S. 2989, to improve the Small Business Act, 10 a.m., SR-485.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: March 2, to hold hearings to examine a legislative presentation from Disabled Veterans of America, 2 p.m., 345 Cannon Building.

March 3, Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine mental health care and suicide prevention for veterans, 9:30 a.m., SR-418.

March 4, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine legislative presentations from the Paralyzed Veterans of America, Jewish War Veterans, Military Order of the Purple Heart, Ex-Prisoners of War, Blinded Veterans Association, Military Officers Association of America, Air Force Sergeants Association, and the Wounded Warrior Project, 9:30 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

Select Committee on Intelligence: March 2, to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

March 4, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, March 3, to consider the following: H.R. 3509, Agricultural Credit Act of 2009; and H.R. 3954, Florida National Forest Land Adjustment Act of 2009; and the Views and Estimates Letter to the Committee on the Budget, 3:30 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

March 3, Subcommittee on General Farm, Commodities and Risk Management, hearing to review implementation of changes to the Commodity Exchange Act contained in the 2008 Farm Bill, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, March 2, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, hearing on Major Systems Acquisition at DHS, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 2, Subcommittee on Select Intelligence Oversight Panel, executive, on National Intelligence Program Budget, 5 p.m., H–140 Capitol.

March 4, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Child Nutrition, 10 a.m., 2362–A Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for the Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, 10 a.m., H–310 Capitol, and on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for the Department of Commerce, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Defense, executive, on Contingency Transportation and Logistics Issues, 10 a.m., H–140 Capitol.

March 4, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for Nuclear Nonproliferation, DOE, 10 a.m., 2362–B Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Financial Services, and General Government, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for the Consumer Product Safety Commission, 10 a.m., B–308 Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on DHS Intelligence Programs and the Effectiveness of State and Local Fusion Centers, 10 a.m., 2358–A Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for Transportation Security Administration: Are We Making Smart Investments for Real Transportation Security? 2 p.m., B–318 Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Interior and Environment, and Related Agencies, on Strengthening Native American Communities: Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for Trust Resources and the Bureau of Indian Affairs, 2 p.m., B–308 Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, overview hearing on Combating Health Care Fraud and Abuse, 2 p.m., 2358–C Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for the Department of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on State and Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, on U.S. Agency for International Development, 10:30 a.m., 2358–B Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, March 3, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing to review the Department of Defense process for assessing the requirements to implement repeal of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell," 2:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 3, Subcommittee on Seapower and Expeditionary Forces, hearing on the Fiscal Year 2011 National Defense Authorization Budget Request for the Department of the Navy shipbuilding acquisition programs, 2 p.m., 210 HVC.

Committee on the Budget, March 3, hearing on Member's Day, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

March 4, hearing on Defense Department Fiscal Year 2011 Budget, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Education and Labor, March 2, hearing on Improving Children's Health: Strengthening Federal Child Nutrition Programs, 2:30 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

March 3, hearing with U.S. Secretary of Education on Building a Stronger Economy: Spurring Reform and Innovation in American Education, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn

Committee on Energy and Commerce, March 4. Sub-committee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on TSCA and Persistent, Bioaccumulative, and Toxic Chemicals: Examining Domestic and International Actions, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, and the Internet, to continue hearings entitled "Oversight of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act: Broadband, Part 3," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, March 3, to consider Committee Print entitled "Views and Estimates of the Committee on Financial Services on Matters to be Set Forth in the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2011," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade, hearing entitled "Haiti Debt Relief," followed by consideration of H.R. 4573, Debt Relief for Earthquake Recovery in Haiti Act of 2010, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, March 3, hearing on U.S. Policies and Programs for Global Development: USAID and the Fiscal Year 2011 Budget, 9 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 3, Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific and the Global Environment, hearing on Regional Overview of East Asia and the Pacific, 2:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 4, full Committee, to mark up H. Res. 252, Affirmation of the United States Record on the Armenian Genocide Resolution, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight, hearing on Restoring America's Reputation in the World: Why it Matters, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, March 3, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, Cybersecurity, and Science and Technology, hearing entitled: The Department of Homeland Security's Science and Technology Directorate," 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, March 3, hearing on Domestic and International Trademark Implications of HA-VANA CLUB and Section 211 of the Omnibus Appropriations Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security, hearing on the Enforcement of the Criminal Laws Against Medicare and Medicaid Fraud, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, March 3, Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife, oversight hearing entitled "Setting the Bar for Accountability: Improving NOAA Fisheries Law Enforcement Programs and Operations, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

March 4, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, oversight hearing on the President's Fiscal Year

2011 budget requests for the Minerals Management Service, the Bureau of Land Management, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, the United States Geological Survey (excluding the water resources program), and the USDA Forest Service, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

March 4, Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife, oversight hearing on the President's Fiscal Year 2011 budget request for the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

March 4, Subcommittee on Water and Power, oversight hearing on the President's Fiscal Year 2011 Budget request for the Power Marketing Administrations, U.S. Department of Energy, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, March 3, Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs, hearing entitled "Transnational Drug Enterprises (Part II): U.S. Government Perspectives on the Threats to Global Stability and U.S. National Security," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

March 4, full Committee, hearing entitled "Prostate Cancer: New Questions About Screening and Treatment," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Domestic Policy, hearing entitled "Continuing Problems in USDA's Enforcement of the Humane Methods of Slaughter Act," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, March 2, to consider H.R. 4247, Preventing Harmful Restraint and Seclusion in Schools Act, 5 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, March 3, hearing on the Department of Energy Fiscal Year 2011, Research and Development Budget Proposal, 12 p.m., 2318 Rayburn. March 4, hearing on Reform in K-12 STEM Education, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, March 3, hearing on The Water Resources Development Act of 2007: A Review of Implementation in its Third Year, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

March 3, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on Agency Budgets and Priorities for Fiscal Year 2011, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, hearing on U.S. Mayors Speak Out: Addressing Disasters in Cities, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, March 3, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on H.R. 4241, To amend chapter 17 of title 38, United States Code, to allow for increased flexibility in payments to State veterans homes, 2 p.m., 340 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, March 3, to mark up Views and Estimates Letter to the Committee on the Budget, 10:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, March 3, executive, Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence, executive, briefing on SRP Wrap-Up, 1 p.m., 304 HVC.

March 3, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis, and Counterintelligence, executive, briefing on Hot Spots, 3 p.m., 304 HVC.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: March 5, to hold hearings to examine the employment situation for February 2010, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 2 p.m., Monday, March 1

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 2

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 3 p.m.), Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 4213, Tax Extenders Act, and Senator Baucus, or his designee, will be recognized to offer a substitute amendment.

House Chamber

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